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SUBJECT: ARAB BANK

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Classified By: Charge David Hale, Reasons 1.4 (B) & (D)

[1](#)1. (S) Charge delivered reftel points to Foreign Minister al-Mulki on January 26. Mulki expressed Jordanian appreciation for the cooperative spirit of the message and agreed fully on the need to close any gaps that terrorists might exploit at Arab Bank. He intended to call Arab Bank Chairman Shoman immediately and urge him to convey to OCC directly his willingness to pay fines, close the New York wire office, and begin a discussion on timing and publicity.

[1](#)2. (S/NF) RMAS will be delivering a parallel message to GID Chief Saad Khayr later on January 26, and Charge will review with Royal Court Minister al-Rifai as well.

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